



MEMORANDUM

TO: Principals and Superintendents

FROM: IDOE

DATE: August 12, 2016

RE: Indiana Kids Election (IKE)

Indiana law ([IC 20-30-5-4](#)) requires that all Indiana schools (grades 6-12) teach election materials during a year when a general election takes place. The window for this to occur for the 2016 elections is Tuesday, October 25, through Tuesday, November 8.

The Indiana Department of Education is sponsoring the Indiana Kids Election program. All Indiana teachers are able to register for this official Bicentennial Legacy Project! Students throughout Indiana will get a chance to make their choices for president, governor and senator this November through a mock election provided by Indiana Kids Election. The students will vote [November 8th](#), the same day adults go to the polls for the general election. The Indiana Kids' Election is based on the premise that voting is occasionally done by inspiration, but more often by habit. The program seeks to emulate the election process. Students participate in voting milestones such as registering to vote on or [before October 11th](#). **Participation in this program is one way that schools can meet its statutory requirement for teaching about elections.**

The Indiana Department of Education, the State Bar Association, and the Indiana Secretary of State are all sponsoring this Bicentennial Legacy Project. Visit www.inkidselection.com to sign up today!